

## WEEKLY COURIER

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JASPER, INDIANA.

"Fighting Bob Evans drops his flag." Well, no foreman ever made him do it.

Real happiness is when you are pretty near certain you are going to miss a train and don't.

That clergymen who preached to the stokers on a liner in a room where it was 120 degrees had no need to mention hell fire.

Time will cure many things, but even a long prison sentence fails to cure some men of the desire to live without working.

They're going to sterilize the Old Bucket Bucket just to make it feel at home among the fire escapes on the Little Red School House.

If we are bound to worry, let us worry about possible car shortages. That will not retard the coming of prosperity, but rather herald it.

There are now seven presidential candidates in the field. In 1900, there were eight, so it will be seen that we are breaking no records this year.

An authority asserts that carrots are four times as nutritious as cucumbers. And cucumbers, we believe, are twice as nutritious as Japanese matting.

A Seattle man promptly accepted an offer of \$2,000 for a meteorite in his possession. It seems like reaching out in the air and pulling in the money.

A lady has written a popular song entitled "How to Keep a Husband." It is not likely to appeal very strongly to the members of New York's smart set.

Among the pleasant souvenirs of the recent Quebec celebration will be the eight new postage stamps engraved to mark the event. Such issues become valuable historical documents.

Prussia announces that it opens its higher education to women because they can't get married. We doubt whether this will cause an immediate rush of girls to the universities.

A Kansas contemporary prints an editorial headed "The Cat Is Out of the Bag." The trouble in this part of the country is that the cat is spending too much time on the back fence.

The young Turks want the Sultan to give up his harem and live with one wife. We hope they will not be harsh enough to insist that he shall pick out the homeliest one in the bunch.

The recovery by the government within three years of 1,291,959 acres of land in Nebraska from the clutches of land grabbers is a gratifying achievement and demonstrates that it is well worth while to try to enforce the law. That splendid area will afford homesteads for a multitude of honest settlers and pay a considerable return to the government. Instead of enriching unprincipled grafters. And there are probably millions of acres more elsewhere which may be re-claimed in the same way.

Nothing has ever come of the talk of taxing the bachelors in America. In Strasburg, Germany, the town council has adopted a system of paying municipal employees which puts in effect a tax not only on bachelors, but on married men with small families. A standard schedule of salaries has been arranged adapted to the needs of married men with three children. Single men between the ages of twenty and twenty-five years receive 10 per cent less than the schedule salary. When a man has more than three children he receives 5 per cent more than the standard schedule, 10 per cent more for five children and 15 per cent more if he has seven children. A similar system has been in operation in Halberstadt for some time, with this difference, that the extra allowances for children are paid directly to the mothers.

The farmers' wife will now feel that there is one man in the country who understands her position, and he the highest in authority. Farmers' wives grow old before their time and farmers' daughters cannot help noticing it and dreading to follow in their mothers' footsteps. "If you have to drop some one, drop one hired hand rather than the hired girl," said the President. The advice is good, but the trouble is to get the one hired girl in the first place. The distress of domestics for country life, and especially life on the farm, has greatly intensified rural problems, and that, as much as anything, has helped to depopulate the rural sections. The housewife of today is thus in worse plight than she was forty years ago. We believe this is a transition period and that a remedy will be found, though as yet it is not plainly in sight. Leisure, recreation, social intercourse are the right and the need of country mothers and daughters, and not until some way of securing these in reasonable measure is found will the farm problem be solved.

# "HOOSIERISMS"

## Little Items of Interest All Over the Length and Breadth of Indiana.

### Hundred Acres of Timber Destroyed.

Fire has destroyed nearly a hundred acres of standing timber near Auburn.

### Big Sewerage System Started.

Work was started last week on Bloomington's \$110,000 sewerage system.

### Cov. Hanly Takes the Stump.

Governor Hanly has entered the Republican campaign and will continue until the election.

### Scholars in Bloody Scrap.

Delphi high school Juniors and seniors had a fierce war over hoisting class flags. One boy was shot.

### Met an Awful Death.

Mary Gittlefinger, 16, was killed when her hair caught in the machinery of a cream separator at Bradford.

### Nine Wolves for Taft.

George Wolf and his eight sons, living near Warsaw, will all vote the Republican ticket November 3.

### Lease Much Oil and Gas Land.

Oil and gas men have obtained leases on 50,000 acres of land in Gibson, Pike and Warrick counties.

### Life Sentence for Negro Slayer.

Clinton Redman, colored, was sentenced to prison for life for the murder of Mrs. Eva Blechlein, a white woman at Evansville.

### Did His Chores First.

John Clifford, a farmer near Rushville, finished his morning chores and sat down in the kitchen to talk to his wife. Five minutes later he was a corpse.

### Killed by Fall of Three Feet.

Daniel Roy Fuchs, of Michigan City, stepped off a porch and fell a distance of three feet on a stone walk, breaking his neck.

### Baby Boy Burned to Death.

The five-year-old son of Luther Grigsby, living near Posseville, was burned to death, his clothes catching fire from a gasoline stove.

### Get After This Job, Girls.

The marriage of Miss Ennie Tracy to John Hagen makes the ninth deputy postmistress of Petersburg to marry within the past 19 months.

### Pasquale Is Not Guilty.

Pasquale Trotta, at Marion, was found not guilty of murdering Errigo Quaranta at Fowlerton, Aug. 28. The jury was convinced he killed Quaranta in self-defense. The killing took place in a camp of railway laborers.

### Station for Homing Pigeons.

Columbus soon is to be made a station by the American Homing Pigeon Association. When this is done hundreds of pigeons will be shipped there each week from all parts of the United States and liberated.

### Ray Lamphere's Trial Set.

In the Laporte Circuit Court Judge Richter set down for trial Monday, Nov. 3, the case of Ray Lamphere, charged with the murder of Mrs. Belle Guinness and her three children. Lamphere is also accused of complicity with Mrs. Guinness in the murder of Andrew Heiglein.

### Tomato Crop Very Shy.

The tomato crop in Southern Indiana this year is from 25 to 50 per cent short over that of last year. The hailstorm of August 10 destroyed much of the crop. Canning factories are running on short time, being unable to get sufficient tomatoes for canning purposes.

### To Inspect All School Houses.

Reports of unsatisfactory conditions in different parts of the State have caused W. E. Blakely, chief of the Indiana department of inspection, to issue orders to his deputies to take up immediately the careful inspection of all school buildings more than one story high, and to proceed with such inspections as rapidly as possible.

### They're Scarce Here, Too.

A noticeable scarcity of \$1 bills in South Bend during the last six months is fast fading. Normal conditions will probably be restored within another month. Local bank cashiers have been unable to explain why there should be a shortage of bills of this denomination.

### Twenty-Three for Taft.

The Dixon family, of which one member, John Dixon, lives in Clark county, near Charlestown, says it will offset the twenty-vote effort of the Scott family of southern Indiana when the latter casts that number of votes for Bryan, Kern and the Democratic State ticket. The Dixon family expects to cast twenty-three votes for Taft.

### Life Sentence for Dastardly Crime.

Martin Gleason, the Lake Erie section foreman who killed Charles Woods, one of his crew, at Kempton, by repeatedly striking him on the head with a heavy spade, was brought into court and upon pleading guilty to the charge was given a life sentence by Judge Elliott.

### Her Dreadful Fate.

Catching her foot in a frog on the Southern Railroad track near Birds-eye, Mrs. Elmer Spurlock was held fast and killed by a freight train that came along a few minutes later.

## FARMING IN WESTERN CANADA



A WESTERN CANADA WHEAT FIELD.

Canadian Correspondence.

"What are the settlers of Western

Canada—and most of all the farmers who have emigrated from the United States—doing this year?" I was asked by the editor of one of our big American magazines a short time ago, by which I was assigned to travel through the great wheat provinces of the Dominion West to discover just what the conditions were there, and how the many thousands of American farmers in this "El Dorado of Wheat" were prospering.

This was my fourth journey through Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. I followed close upon the 40,000 good American farmers who left the States to make new homes for themselves in these provinces last year—and in different words, this was how I answered the question of the editor quoted above:

Imagine first of all, a train of forty-ton cars 1,454 miles in length—a train, in other words, which would reach from New York City to Denver, or from the Canadian border through the States of North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas; and for 250 miles down into old Mexico, and you will have some idea of this year's production of grain in the three great provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

In other words, it will take more than 200,000 cars to carry the grain production of these provinces alone this autumn.

If a person were standing at one point, and this "train" passed him at the rate of twenty miles an hour, he would have to remain in that one spot for just

year. Under ordinary conditions the new settler makes a living during his first year.

He builds himself a cabin or a rude board home, and if he has not much capital of his own he works a part of his time for his neighbors, for work is always plenty and wages good.

The second year, however, he has in his own grain. It is a common saying throughout Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta that "the settler makes a good living the first year, builds himself a good home the second, and is independent the third."

Until I had become thoroughly acquainted with these thousands of my people who have emigrated to Western Canada, and with the conditions now existing among them, I was inclined to believe with other hundreds of thousands of Americans that Canadian wheat lands were considerably overestimated. There are a large number of land companies in the United States whose promoters very much dislike to see good American farmers taking up land in Canada when they have vast tracts of their own to dispose of. One of the "stories" frequently seen in American papers is that the good homestead land, or free land, of the Dominion is already taken up. Millions of acres of the best land in the world are now open to American settlers in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, and these acres are offered to them absolutely free, with taxes so low, after they have gained possession, that they may almost be counted as nothing.

To-day three great railroads stretch across Western Canada, and within a few

## PARIS FASHION HINTS.



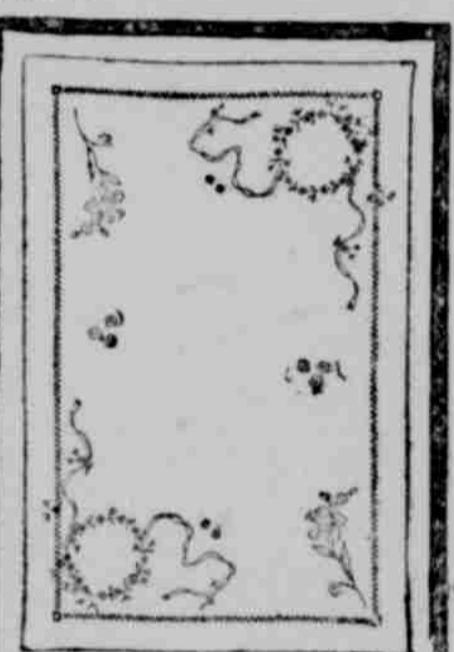
2566. Misses' Two-piece Circular Skirt, closing with buttons down left side of front and having an inverted box-plait at center back seam. One of the fall's most popular models, made up in Venetian cloth, serice, cheviot or tweed. Three sizes, 13 to 17 years.

2482. Misses' Skirt, closed at left side, with an inverted box-plait at center back seam and with or without center front seam. Any of the seasonable striped suitings make up well in this style. Three sizes, 13 to 17 years.

2431. Misses' Jumper Dress, with an attached one-piece plaited skirt and a separate sunpina having long or three-quarter sleeves. In light-weight flannel, cashmere or musc veil, trimmed with bias bands of striped material, this is suitable for the every-day dress or for best wear. Four sizes, 14 to 17 years.

2391. Misses' Fly-Gored Empire Skirt, in challis, foulard, pongee, musc veil or voile. This is a simple and becoming style for the slender girl. Three sizes, 13 to 17 years.

2391. Misses' Nine-Gored Plaited Skirt. This is one of the most popular of the plaited models. Made up in serice, cheviot, tweed or mohair, it is an excellent skirt for school or general knock-about wear. Four sizes, 14 to 17 years.



555. Forget-Me-Not and Bow-Knot Design, for hem-stitched tray cloth or bureau scarf.

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Size .....

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### Only a Salute.

"One of our early lawyers had a murder case to defend," said a Montana official, "and he had a hard case. When it came time to sum up he asked permission to take a recess for ten minutes, and during that ten minutes he went over to the hotel to get an inspiration. When he came back he walked out in front of the jury and said: 'As regards to this case, this is the greatest country on which the sun ever shone. We are the greatest people. We have the greatest destiny.'

Why, gentlemen, every time one of the ships of our glorious navy sails into the ports of the world with stars and stripes flying every ship of that power has raised a salute from great cannon in her honor, and gentlemen of the jury, if you listen to what the soundly

opposition of this man has to say you are about to incarcerate in prison or hang by the neck my poor, unfortunate client simply because he on one occasion fired one small revolver shot at a man who unfortunately died on that occasion."—Saturday Evening Post.

### Carpets.

Carpets should be beaten on the wrong side first and then more gently on the right. Never put a carpet down on a damp floor, for this often results in the carpet becoming mildewed.

### Versimilitude.

"We ate our rubber boots." "Provisions run out?"

"No, but the explorer thought it might add interest to his lecture, you know."—Kansas City Journal.

### Five Largest Cities.

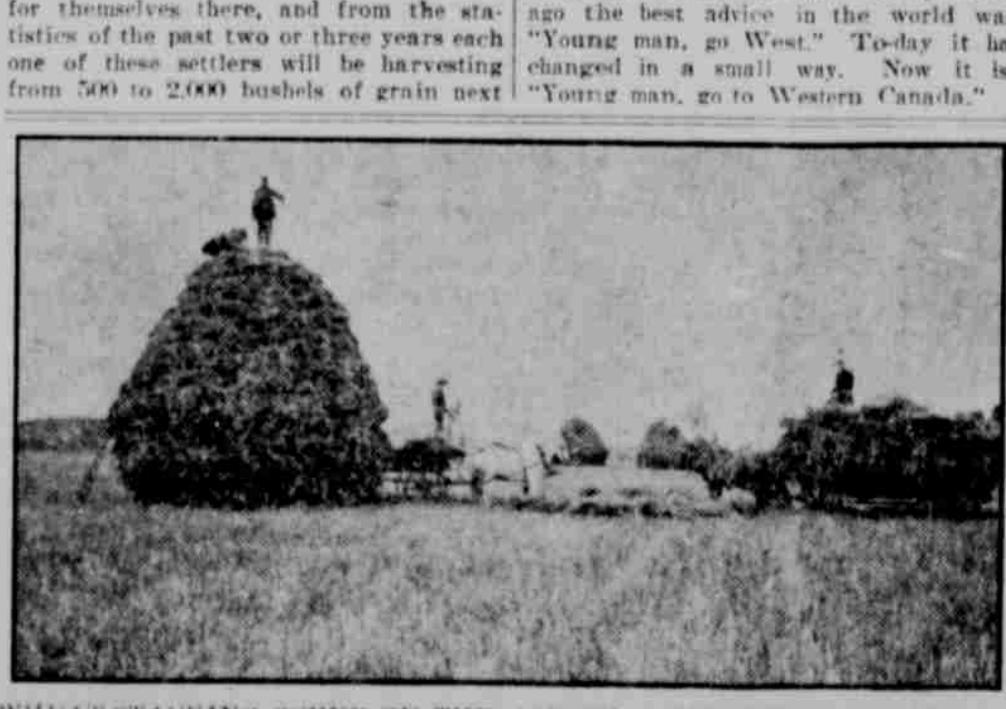
The five largest cities on earth are, in the order of their size, London, New York, Paris, Chicago, Berlin.

### Polite to Lightning.

When a native of Quito sees a flash of lightning he reverently removes his hat.

### Gold Coin.

Seventy per cent. of the gold in the possession of man is in the form of coin.



WHEAT-STACKING SCENE ON THE CANADIAN NORTHERN RAILWAY.